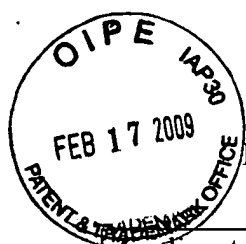


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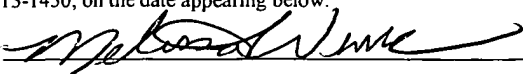
Sir:

This communication is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment which set a 30 day period for response that expires on February 26, 2009.

In the Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 filed June 13, 2007, Applicants inadvertently used the incorrect status identifier for claim 68 and left out reference to claim 102. Applicants have supplied a copy of the claims herewith correcting the errors (namely changing the status identifier of claim 68 to “currently amended” and properly identifying claim 102 as “canceled”).

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No fee is believed due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee which may be required for consideration of this submission to deposit account 13-2755.

Respectfully submitted,

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